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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 16, 2002, please amend the above identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 4, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Figures 1A and 1B are the cDNA and deduced amino acid sequence of soybean seed coat peroxidase. Nucleotides are numbered by assigning +1 to the first base of the